

MINUTES

UTAH SOCIAL WORK BOARD MEETING

July 12, 2007

**Room 475 – 4th Floor – 9:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 3:10 P.M.

**Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:**

Noel Taxin
Karen McCall

Board Members Present:

Tammer M. Attallah
Joyce Stowe-St. Clair
Dennis R. Frandsen
Jean V. McAfee
Mark de St. Aubin

Board Members Absent:

Patsy J. Smith
Vacant Position

Guests:

Emma Lou Thayne

DOPL Staff Present:

David Stanley, Division Director

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Acting Chairperson

Due to Stephen Fisher submitting his resignation as a Board member, Ms. Taxin was requested to act as Board Chairperson for this meeting until a chairperson has formally been chosen.

MINUTES:

April 12, 2007 minutes

The minutes from the April 12, 2007 meeting were read.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair made a motion to approve the minutes with minor revisions. Mr. Attallah seconded the motion. The Board vote was

unanimous.

May 17, 2007 minutes

The minutes from the May 17, 2007 meeting were deferred to the August 2, 2007 meeting.

June 7, 2007 minutes

The minutes from the June 7, 2007 meeting were deferred to the August 2, 2007 meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

10:00 A.M.

Henry McCloyn, Probationary Interview

Mr. McCloyn met for his probationary interview.

Mr. Attallah conducted the interview.

Mr. Attallah stated that all of Mr. McCloyn's drug tests have been negative. He asked Mr. McCloyn if a report from Dr. Byrne has been sent as one has not been received.

Mr. McCloyn responded that Dr. Byrne had told him a report would be sent this morning. Mr. McCloyn stated that he meets regularly with Dr. Byrne.

Ms. Taxin asked Mr. McCloyn to update the Board regarding his meetings with Dr. Byrne.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he has had difficulty feeling any empathy for the other party and Dr. Byrne has given him insight regarding their feelings and how the other party was affected by his not keeping clear boundaries. He stated that he has been able to take a step back and gain insight on the part of the other party.

Mr. Attallah asked how his knowledge impacts his ability to practice.

Mr. McCloyn responded that there are many gray areas in the social work field. He stated that his insight may not affect things right now but might down the road regarding how clients interpret his comments. He stated that understanding and being empathic helps him keep objective and to stay out of the gray areas.

Ms. Taxin stated that it is good that Mr. McCloyn and Dr. Byrne are working on this area. She stated that she knows he was frustrated in having to continue in therapy with Dr. Byrne.

Mr. McCloyn stated that he was frustrated that Dr. Byrne's had told him that he did not need to continue therapy and then said he did need to continue. He stated that it caused him to have trust issues with Dr. Byrne.

Mr. Attallah asked Mr. McCloyn to update the Board regarding his employment.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he had a concern when he was first employed as he thought he would be doing less than he was used to doing. He stated that as he continues working in the agency he is able to see areas where he can help and the agency has given him additional responsibilities. He stated that his employment is working out.

Mr. Attallah stated that Mr. Simmons reports have all been positive. He stated that the last report was received June 27, for the month of May. Mr. Attallah asked if the reports could be submitted earlier in the month.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he started working at the agency on the 20th of the month and that is probably why the reports are submitted later each month.

Ms. Taxin thanked Mr. McCloyn for the explanation and recommended his supervisor submit at his current schedule.

Mr. Attallah stated that at the last time Mr. McCloyn met he and the Board discussed when he would start his required CE. Mr. Attallah asked where Mr. McCloyn is currently in completing the CE requirement. He reminded Mr. McCloyn that the CE is required to be completed within 12 months of signing the Stipulation and Order.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he has not started the CE yet. He stated that he has until October 12, 2007. Mr.

McCloyn stated that he has started looking into courses and found that there are many to choose from.

Ms. Taxin reminded Mr. McCloyn that when he decides what he wants to take he must submit the information for pre-approval. She informed Mr. McCloyn that the Utah Chapter of NASW usually offers some ethics in their fall conference and there is an 18 hour on-line course through NASW. She stated that he would only have 2 additional hours to complete if he took the 18 hour course.

Mr. Attallah stated that Mr. McCloyn has indicated that Dr. Byrne's report should be received today.

Ms. Taxin stated that she will contact Dr. Byrne if the report is not received.

Mr. Attallah reminded Mr. McCloyn that he is required to attend AA meeting monthly. He asked if Mr. McCloyn as been attending.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he has attended 2 meetings but has not attended on a regular monthly basis. He explained that he has been working 7 to 10 hour days. Mr. McCloyn stated that he is aware that AA does have meetings at different hours that he could attend but has not.

Ms. Taxin asked if he thinks he does not need to attend the AA meetings. She stated that the Stipulation and Order requires the attendance and Mr. McCloyn cannot be terminated from probation without documenting his attendance once a month.

Mr. McCloyn responded that he understands. He asked when the drug testing requirement will be completed.

Ms. Taxin responded that if Mr. McCloyn continues with the negative tests it should be completed in September 2007. She stated that he does need to attend the AA meetings unless Dr. Byrne recommends in his report that he does not believe attendance is necessary.

The Board determined Mr. McCloyn is out of compliance with his Stipulation and Order as he has not been attending AA meetings a minimum of once a month as required.

An appointment was made for Mr. McCloyn to meet again October 4, 2007.

Mr. McCloyn informed the Board that he will be going out of town until Monday, July 16, 2007. He stated that he knows he will still be required to call in for the drug testing but wanted to notify Debbie Harry that he will be out of town.

Ms. Taxin recommended that he go over to Ms. Harry's desk and notify her or call Ms. Harry if she is unavailable right now.

Mr. McCloyn left the meeting.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair commented that Mr. McCloyn has been vague about his compliance throughout his probation and she believes the Board is still seeing some of that behavior.

Ms. Taxin commented that it was good to hear Mr. McCloyn comment that he and Dr. Byrne are addressing the empathy for the client issue.

Ms. McAfee commented that Mr. McCloyn was eager to notify the Board that he was not attending AA meetings.

Ms. Taxin stated that she believes Mr. McCloyn does not think he has a substance abuse problem and that might be the reason he does not attend the AA meetings. She stated that she suggested Dr. Byrne make a recommendation in his report for the Board to consider.

Mr. Attallah stated that the requirement is a minimum of attending an AA meeting once a month. He stated that he believes the attendance should be more frequent in order for Mr. McCloyn to connect with people for the support substance

abusers need.

10:20 A.M.

Megan Heath, Probationary Interview

Ms. Heath attended her probationary interview. Ms. Heath's mother, Emma Lou Thayne, also attended.

Board members and Division staff were introduced to Ms. Thayne.

Mr. de. St. Aubin conducted the interview.

Mr. de St. Aubin asked Ms. Heath if her mother was here today for a specific reason or just showing support.

Ms. Heath responded that her mother supports her and wanted to come with her today. She stated that they are planning a lunch together after the meeting.

Ms. Heath informed the Board that she will graduate from the drug court on Tuesday, July 17, 2007. She stated they did one more drug test and was informed that she would only be notified if the test is positive. Ms. Heath stated that she feels good about where she is at this time. She stated that she has a new sponsor through AA who is pushing her and has been individualizing the sponsorship for her needs. She stated that she believes this sponsor will be good for her. She stated that some sponsors require 90 meetings in 90 days which is difficult sometimes. She stated that she has met the requirements and done everything she should for the drug court. Ms. Heath stated that the AA meetings help a person recognize that there is also support from a spiritual power. She stated that she was really scared to be finished with the drug court but has put in place support for awhile. She stated that she was on the prescription Ultram for pain and it was suppose to be non-narcotic and not addictive. Ms. Heath stated that she noticed that the prescription made her feel different so she told her Doctor that she could not take it. She stated that the drug court was aware that she was taking the prescription but their tests could not test for that drug. She stated that she has her husband pick up all her prescriptions due to her fear that it would be easy to have her Doctor prescribe something that would not be

healthy or safe for her.

Mr. de St. Aubin asked if Ms. Heath has any other supports in place.

Ms. Heath responded that she has her mother. She stated that she is going up to Sun Valley, Idaho for a retreat for awhile after her graduation for some spiritual strength.

Mr. de St. Aubin asked if she plans to continue therapy.

Ms. Heath responded that she has a Psychiatrist that gives her 2 prescriptions and has an open door policy for all drug court alumni. She stated that she does not feel comfortable with the Psychiatrist as she was appointed by the drug court. She stated that she felt constraints in being honest with the court appointed Psychiatrist as if she said she was struggling, it could have put her in jeopardy with the court system. Ms. Heath stated that she would be willing to continue therapy if the Board recommended it but that she would find another therapist.

Ms. Taxin commented that Ms. Heath stated there was some anxiety in terminating drug court. She stated that continued therapy would be good for Ms. Heath. Ms. Taxin stated that the Stipulation and Order requirements were not as strict as Ms. Heath already had strict requirements through the drug court. Ms. Taxin stated that she would not be comfortable terminating drug testing and therapy just because the drug court requirements are completed. Ms. Taxin recommended Ms. Heath visit a mental health therapist and receive an initial evaluation to determine if therapy is appropriate. Ms. Taxin stated a formal evaluation might not be necessary but she and the therapist can decide. She requested Theresa McKell, from the Bear River Health Department, write a letter to the Board regarding Ms. Heath's ability to continue to practice safely.

Mr. Attallah explained that the process is to assist Ms. Heath in a smooth transition from the drug

court requirements to continued daily maintenance.

Ms. Heath responded that she believes it would be good for her to establish a therapist in case she needs to go to someone. She asked the Board/Division for suggestions.

Ms. Taxin gave Ms. Heath the names and phone numbers of Dr. Joan Zone and Dr. Janiece Pompa to contact of therapists in her area and with qualifications of Psychologist as Ms. Heath requested.

Ms. Heath thanked Ms. Taxin and stated that another option might be Michael Fordham, a Marriage and Family Therapist, as he already knows her.

Ms. Taxin requested Ms. Heath to confirm who she decides to contact as they will need to complete and submit an informal evaluation and recommendation to the Board regarding frequency of appointments. She stated that quarterly reports will also need to be submitted.

Ms. Taxin explained that Ms. Heath will need to go through the Division drug testing for awhile. She informed Ms. Heath that she will need to meet with Debbie Harry and Susan Higgs to get set up on the testing.

Ms. Heath asked if she could test in Logan, Utah.

Ms. Taxin confirmed that testing is conducted in Logan, Utah.

Mr. de St. Aubin stated that Ms. McKell's letter refers to a recent relapse. He asked Ms. Heath to explain.

Ms. Heath responded that Ms. McKell is probably referring to the relapse she had prior to being put on drug court.

Mr. de St. Aubin stated that Ms. Heath will need to submit information from the drug court regarding

the disposition of Ms. Heath's legal situation.

Ms. Taxin explained that the information will document closure with the drug court.

Ms. Heath responded that she is in the process of getting the record expunged.

Mr. de St. Aubin stated that the Board will still need documentation and if it is expunged the documentation will reflect the expungement. He requested the documentation of expungement be submitted to the Division when that process is complete.

An appointment was made for Ms. Heath to meet again October 4, 2007.

Ms. Thayne, Ms. Heath's mother, thanked the Board for being so kind and wonderful to Ms. Heath. She stated that the probation process has been an upbeat experience for Ms. Heath and has made her feel hopeful in her life.

Ms. McCall gave Ms. Heath the phone number of Debbie Harry to receive the information and get into the Division drug testing.

10:40 A.M.

Jan Wimmer, Probationary Interview

Ms. Wimmer met for her probationary interview.

Mr. Frandsen conducted the interview.

Mr. Frandsen informed Ms. Wimmer that the 6 month employer report has not yet been received.

Ms. Wimmer responded that the next report is due in September, 2007.

Upon reviewing Ms. Wimmer's file, the Board confirmed that the next report is due in September, 2007.

Mr. Frandsen asked Ms. Wimmer if she is having any issues at work that challenge her boundaries.

Ms. Wimmer responded that she does not find it difficult to maintain her boundaries with the young women she works with but has sometimes had difficulty with the families. Ms. Wimmer explained that the families want to call her every night and are demanding. She stated that she now informs the families that she cannot talk with them at this specific time and it is now easier for her to keep those boundaries. She stated that parents also want to show they care by bringing her gifts and she thanks them but does not take the gifts. She stated that the gift giving was mostly around Christmas time.

Ms. Taxin asked if Ms. Wimmer if partially what contributed to the situation she is in is that her supervisor had said what she was doing was ok.

Ms. Wimmer responded that the environment she is currently in makes it easier to maintain boundaries as she works with the same 6 girls who are from New York or Florida or other States. She stated that in her previous environment she would run into former clients at the grocery store, etc. as she lives in a small community.

Ms. Wimmer stated that her 19 year old daughter has voiced interest in going into social work. Ms. Wimmer stated that this has not been a good experience for her and has told her daughter that she does not know if she should go into social work.

Mr. Frandsen stated that Ms. Wimmer has been doing well on her probation. He stated that the Board has talked about moving her appointments from quarterly to every 6 months. He asked Ms. Wimmer if she would be agreeable to meeting in 6 months.

Ms. Wimmer responded that she had not thought about meeting less frequently but was agreeable to less frequent meetings. Ms. Wimmer thanked the Board for the vote of confidence in her.

Mr. Attallah stated that the recommendation of meeting less frequently is based on Ms. Wimmer having followed through in completing specific

requirements of her probation and her reports being positive.

Ms. Wimmer responded that it would be a vote of confidence to meet less frequently.

Mr. Attallah made a motion for Ms. Wimmer's appointments to be changed from quarterly to every 6 months.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

An appointment was made for Ms. Wimmer to meet again in January 2008.

Ms. Wimmer informed the Board that she will be having eye surgery in January 2008.

Ms. Taxin asked if she would like to meet in December 2007.

Ms. Wimmer responded that she would call to confirm which month would be more convenient, December 2007 or January 2008.

Ms. Wimmer stated that she did have some questions regarding ethical standard to ask the Board.

Ms. Taxin recommended Ms. Wimmer write the questions down and address them at her next appointment.

Mr. de St. Aubin commented that Utah NASW has a chairperson for ethical standards. He gave Ms. Wimmer the phone number for the Utah NASW office.

Ms. Taxin concluded that if there are any other issues or questions Ms. Wimmer would like to discuss with the Board to write them down for review during her next appointment.

11:00 A.M.

Enrique Velasquez, Probationary Interview

Mr. Velasquez met with the Board for his probationary

interview.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair conducted the interview.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair commented that the Board understands that Mr. Velasquez has not been working as a mental health therapist. She asked him to explain and update the Board regarding his situation.

Mr. Velasquez responded that Ms. Stowe-St. Clair is correct that he has not been working as a mental health therapist. He stated that he is still working in his administrative position at Salt Lake Community College and is looking for a position as a mental health therapist.

Ms. Taxin reminded Mr. Velasquez that his probation time is not counting as he is not working as a mental health therapist.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he understands the time will not yet count.

Ms. Taxin asked Mr. Velasquez to update the Board regarding his plans.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he did not understand why the employment position he was suppose to have with the church did not work out. He stated that he had to sign papers that the proposed supervisor had to be present at each of his sessions or that he had to video tape the session. He stated that the agency then withdrew their offer based on the supervision would be too cost prohibitive.

Ms. Taxin explained that she talked with the potential supervisor who asked how the supervision should be conducted. She stated that she responded to the supervisor that if Mr. Velasquez had group sessions that she may want to be present to observe, or do some together or she could have him video tape some sessions, but would have to review all case files and report on his performance. Ms. Taxin stated that she believes the church had some concerns specifically the supervisor and were

not very forward or honest with Mr. Velasquez. She stated that she asked them to address their concerns with Mr. Velasquez. Ms. Taxin stated that the proposed supervisor never submitted her resume for review and did not follow through with her promise to send the information. Ms. Taxin did state that the supervisor mentioned she was concerned with Mr. Velasquez's boundaries and did not want to be responsible for his actions.

Mr. Velasquez responded that the church did not explain that they had any issues with him being on probation and needing supervision.

Mr. Velasquez stated that he met with ASSIS, a Substance Abuse agency. He stated that he has completed the employment paperwork, given them a copy of his Stipulation and Order and discussed the requirements with them. Mr. Velasquez stated that they voiced a concern regarding the amount of supervision that may be required. He stated that he was to meet at a staff meeting and then received a call that his appointment had been cancelled. He stated they informed him that they would get back to him.

Ms. Taxin recommended Mr. Velasquez ask at the next interview what frequency of observing would make the supervisor feel comfortable. She stated that if she were the supervisor she would go into observe once or twice a week until she felt comfortable that Mr. Velasquez is a capable therapist.

Mr. Attallah commented that the supervisor should know supervision requirements according to the practice.

Ms. Taxin commented that Mr. Velasquez might not have received the supervision he needs in the church environment and it is probably best that he is not working there. She stated that the supervision is at least weekly and the supervisor decides how to monitor but must write the reports and submit them to the Division and Board for review.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he is hopeful that he will be hired for the ASSIS position. He stated that he will know by Monday.

Ms. Taxin stated that Mr. Velasquez can explain the Stipulation and Order to the proposed supervisor so that they understand the supervision and reporting.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair asked if there is anything else Mr. Velasquez would like to report today.

Mr. Velasquez stated that he still needs to get the Psychological Evaluation completed and submitted to the Board. He stated that he knows he is late in completing the evaluation.

Ms. Taxin responded that the idea is for the evaluator to evaluate and address Mr. Velasquez's issues and make a recommendation to the Board.

Ms. Taxin asked Mr. Velasquez if he has thought about the CE requirements.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he is going to attend a workshop and has located another workshop on ethics through NASW.

Ms. Taxin reminded Mr. Velasquez that he has 10 hours of CE to complete. She reminded him to send her the information to review and approve.

Mr. de St. Aubin stated that the issues that brought Mr. Velasquez to the Board have not been discussed. He asked Mr. Velasquez what he has learned about his relationship with a former client and what steps he has taken in his plans to practice safely.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he addressed part of Mr. de St. Aubin's questions in his essay that he submitted for the Board to review. He stated that his biggest issue is not to work in isolation but with a supervisor. Mr. Velasquez explained that he grew up alone and has made himself what he is. He stated that he believed that system worked for him and did not

realize that issues were piling up to where he became self destructive. He stated there were issues he thought he was handling well and found he was not. Mr. Velasquez stated that he did not have an avenue to handle situations. He stated that he is open with people, participates in conversation and talks with people. He stated that he makes it a point to keep open channels for communication with others. Mr. Velasquez stated that in some ways he is glad that the incident happened and now he knows how to protect himself, how to reach out and how to say he has a problem and needs help. He stated that he did not like what he did to the patient, to himself, to the profession and to the community. He stated that he saved lives and made a mistake.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair asked if Mr. Velasquez has scheduled the required psychological evaluation.

Mr. Velasquez responded that he has not yet.

Ms. Taxin recommended Mr. Velasquez get the psychological evaluation scheduled. She stated that the evaluator may need to contact her if they have questions and he should give the evaluator her phone number so she can get the information that is needed to the evaluator.

Ms. Taxin asked Mr. Velasquez to get the CE information to her for review.

She asked Mr. Velasquez to continue to communicate with her regarding his employment. Ms. Taxin reminded him to give the employer and proposed supervisor a copy of his Stipulation and Order to read as they will need to send letters to confirm they have read the Stipulation and Order and will have to send in reports.

An appointment was made for Mr. Velasquez to meet again October 4, 2007.

11:20 A.M.

Barbara Gearig, Meeting to Discuss CSW Supervision Options

Ms Taxin notified the Board that Ms. Gearig's appointment was cancelled. Ms. Taxin explained that the Board had reviewed Ms. Gearig's application a

few months ago. She stated that Ms. Gearig wanted to be licensed as a Clinical Social Worker by endorsement but was unable to document endorsement requirement so was licensed as a Certified Social Worker. Ms. Taxin stated that Ms. Gearig may again ask to meet with the Board.

11:50 A.M.

Robert Marshall, Probationary Interview

Ms. Taxin informed the Board that Mr. Marshall called on Tuesday and left a message that he would not be keeping his appointment today.

Ms. Taxin reviewed Mr. Marshall's file with the Board. She stated that at his last meeting with the Board he had changed his place of employment and asked for a Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) to be approved as his supervisor. She reminded the Board that a motion was made to amend Mr. Marshall's Order to allow for the MFT to supervise him. Ms. Taxin reported that the Order had been changed. She stated that no letter from the new employer has been received regarding having read the Stipulation and Order and willingness to assist Mr. Marshall in being successful in his probation and no reports have been received. Ms. Taxin also stated that no letter from the MFT supervisor has been received regarding having read the Stipulation and Order and willingness to assist Mr. Marshall in being successful in his probation and no reports have been received.

Ms. Taxin voiced concern with the issues that led to Mr. Marshall being placed on probation as he is still working with youth and there are no reports regarding how he is doing.

Mr. Attallah commented that on paper Mr. Marshall has not demonstrated what he is doing in his new employment.

Ms. Taxin asked the Board if Mr. Marshall should be scheduled to meet in August. She stated that the Board could recommend an Order to Show Cause for his being out of compliance with his Stipulation and Order.

Mr. Attallah asked if this is the first instance of this

type of behavior in cancelling an appointment and not submitting his documentation.

Ms. Taxin stated that Mr. Marshall has always showed for his appointments, although he has not always complied with providing reports and having supervision.

Ms. Taxin recommended Mr. Marshall be scheduled for the August 2, 2007 meeting and request that all his reports be submitted prior to that date. She stated that the Board made accommodations for Mr. Marshall regarding amending the Stipulation and Order for him to be supervised by an MFT. She stated that the Board was very clear at Mr. Marshall's last meeting regarding what he needed to do and what must be submitted. She voiced concern regarding the safety of the public based on Mr. Marshall's issues and concern that Mr. Marshall does not have a supervisor based on no reports being submitted.

Mr. Attallah suggested Mr. Marshall be informed regarding the concerns of the Division and the Board and schedule him to meet in August. He stated that if Mr. Marshall does not appear for that appointment the Board should make a decision regarding Mr. Marshall's license.

Mr. Attallah asked why Ms. Taxin would not do an Order to Show Cause now instead of rescheduling Mr. Marshall for August and waiting to see if he keeps his appointment.

Ms. Taxin responded that Mr. Marshall or his attorney could say that there were extenuating circumstances that prevented Mr. Marshall from attending today. She stated that if Mr. Marshall does not keep the August appointment and reports are not received she believes an Order to Show Cause would be appropriate.

Ms. Stowe-St. Clair commented that he quit his job after the sibling of a client died. She stated that Mr. Marshall also left the country for an unknown time and did not disclose that information to the Board.

Board members requested Mr. Marshall be invited to meet August 2, 2007.

12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 P.M.

John Morton, Probationary Interview

Mr. Morton did not appear for his probationary interview.

Ms. Taxin stated that he may not have kept the appointment due to not being currently employed.

The Board requested Ms. McCall to call Mr. Morton regarding his missed appointment and to reschedule him for the August 2, 2007 Board meeting.

Preparation for K. Ed Huntsman's Appointment

Ms. Taxin explained that a Stipulation and Order was written several years ago for Mr. Huntsman and she requested the Board to review that order for discussion regarding if Mr. Huntsman is fit to be reinstated for licensure and also making some amendments to the Stipulation.

12:15 P.M.

Mr. de St. Aubin made a motion to close the meeting to review and discuss the information regarding Mr. Huntsman's mental status and the information he submitted on his personal history.

Mr. Frandsen seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

1:20 P.M.

Mr. Attallah made a motion to reopen the meeting.

Mr. de St. Aubin seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

1:20 P.M.

K. Ed Huntsman, Meeting with the Board to Discuss Reinstatement of the CSW License

Mr. Huntsman met with the Board to discuss reinstatement of the CSW license. Don Glover,

Director of Mental Health at the VA Hospital, attended the meeting with Mr. Huntsman.

Board members and Division staff were introduced.

Mr. Huntsman asked the Board to explain what is meant by Mr. Frandsen being a public member.

Ms. Taxin explained that each Board has a specified number of licensees and 1 or 2 public members as mandated by each individual Law. She stated that the Social Work Board has 1 public member serving, Dennis Frandsen. She stated that he represents the public's best interest regarding Board business.

Mr. Glover, LCSW, explained that he is the Chief of Mental Health at the Veterans Administration Hospital and has known Mr. Huntsman for many years. He stated that he was Mr. Huntsman boss and supervisor at the VA Hospital for a few of those years.

Mr. Huntsman asked if the Division/Board received a letter from Dr. Erickson.

Ms. Taxin responded that she did receive a letter from Dr. Erickson. She stated that Mr. Huntsman's application, letters of reference and legal information was also received.

Ms. Taxin explained that the Board has already discussed Mr. Huntsman's issues while the meeting was closed to protect Mr. Huntsman's privacy. Ms. Taxin stated that she would like Mr. Huntsman to explain his situation to the Board as some documents state different things and it would be best for the Board to hear information from Mr. Huntsman. Ms. Taxin explained that the Board would need complete information to make a fair decision regarding re-licensing Mr. Huntsman. She stated that the Board meeting would be closed for Mr. Huntsman to explain. Ms. Taxin explained that when the meeting is closed Mr. Glover would have to leave the meeting as no one from the public may be present unless Mr. Huntsman agrees to allow Mr. Glover to stay in the meeting.

Mr. Huntsman responded that Mr. Glover may stay in the meeting.

1:45 P.M.

Mr. de St. Aubin made a motion to close the meeting for Mr. Huntsman to go into detail regarding the issues that caused him to surrender his license.

Mr. Attallah seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

2:41 P.M.

Mr. de St. Aubin made a motion to reopen the meeting.

Mr. Attallah seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

Ms. Taxin commented that she and the Board appreciate Mr. Huntsman's explanation and his answering questions that were asked. She stated that the Board will need to have additional discussion regarding reinstating Mr. Huntsman's license which may take a few weeks. Ms. Taxin stated that the Board understands that he needs an answer as soon as possible and she will keep in touch with him regarding any additional information that may be needed to assist the Board.

Mr. Huntsman thanked the Board for allowing him to present information to them.

Ms. Taxin thanked Mr. Huntsman for coming and explained that there is a process but it will take some time to complete that process.

Mr. Huntsman and Mr. Glover left the meeting.

Mr. Attallah asked Ms. Taxin to allow about an hour on August 2, 2007 for the Board to further discuss Mr. Huntsman's request for reinstatement.

Ms. Taxin responded that she will plan on an hour

at the August 2, 2007 meeting. She stated that she will talk to Judi Jensen, the AG, regarding amending the original Order.

Ms. Taxin stated that she will try to draft something with the AG to present to the Board on August 2, 2007. She reminded the Board that after an amended Order is written Mr. Huntsman will have to agree to the requirements or the Board will have to change some of the requirements if it is decided to reinstate Mr. Huntsman.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Supervision Definitions

Ms. Taxin explained that Mr. Stanley was given an assignment from the Legislative Committee to develop a global definition for supervision. She stated that a proposal was given to him defining direct, indirect and general supervision for the Boards to review. Ms. Taxin requested Board members to read the information and definitions and be prepared at the August 2, 2007 Board meeting to discuss the definitions to give Mr. Stanley a statement that the Board will (1) adopt the definitions without modification; (2) adopt them with some modifications; or (3) maintain your own definition without adopting any part of the general definitions.

Board members were given copies to review for discussion at the August 2, 2007 meeting.

Supervision Requests

This item was deferred to the August 2, 2007 meeting.

Board Chairperson

This item was deferred to the August 2, 2007 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

ASWB Association News, June 2007

This item was deferred to the August 2, 2007 meeting.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:

August 2, 2007

ADJOURN:

The time is 3:10 pm and the meeting is adjourned.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

October 4, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Tammer Attallah
Chairperson, Utah Social Work Licensing Board

August 6, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Noel Taxin
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing